MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF MAY 9TH. 1934.

The Board of Public Works met in the offices of the Board, Union Trust Building, on Wednesday, May 9th, 1934.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor. Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller.

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On Motion duly seconded, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT ORDERED, That in accordance with the Acts of 1933, Chapter 254, the Governor, Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Treasurer of the State be and they are hereby authorized and directed to advertise twice a week for four successive weeks in the Baltimore Sun and the Baltimore News, the first insertion to bear date of July 11th, 1934, and the last insertion to bear date of August 3rd, 1934, that the Treasurer will receive in the office of the Treasurer at Annapolis, Maryland, at any time up to 12 o'clock noon, on August 7th, 1934, bids for bonds of the State of Maryland in the aggregate sum of \$2,000,000.00 to be raised under the provisions of said Act; said bids to be contained in sealed envelopes appropriately endorsed, and each bid to be accompanied by a certified check upon some responsible banking institution, drawn to the order of the Treasurer of Maryland, for five per centum of the par value of the amount bid for. All bids will be opened at 12 o'clock noon on the 7th day of August, 1934.

Said bonds shall be dated the 15th day of August, 1934, and they shall bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the 15th days of February and August, respectively, during the continuance of said loan. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of \$1,000 each, and all shall be subject to registration as to principal, and all shall be issued with interest coupons attached and shall be deliverable on the 15th day of August, 1934. The said bonds shall be issued upon the Serial Annuity Plan, as provided in said Act.

The right shall be reserved to accept one bid for all of said loan, or separate bids for parts of said loan, as may produce the highest amount; and the right shall also be reserved to accept bids which are for parts of said loan, but which may not be for all, and to reject all bids or any bids. If two or more responsible bidders shall make the same bid and each bid shall be the highest, and the certificates so

bid for by such highest responsible bidders shall be in excess of the whole amount of certificates as offered for sale, then such certificates of indebtedness may be awarded in a ratable proportion to such responsible bidders bidding the same price.

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The Governor, Comptroller and the Treasurer shall cause to be prepared bonds in good and sufficient form for the amount of said loan.

The following letter from the State Department of Forestry, was read and considered:-

## STATE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY

May 4th, 1934.

The Board of Public Works, Annapolis, Maryland.

Gentlemen: -

## Pract No. 19.

Approval for the purchase of 190 acres of land, at \$3. per acre, owned by N. E. Ryon, Washington, D. C., and located adjacent to the Cedarville Forest, is hereby requested.

This land was cut over some years ago and is now well stocked with young growth. It has been examined and found suitable for State Forest acquisition, and will fit in very well with our present Cedarville Forest which was acquired at a price of \$4. per acre. It is considered an exceptionally favorable purchase, and I trust that approval may be promptly given so that it may be incorporated in the Cedarville Forest, where we now have a Civilian Conservation Corps camp from which we will be able to make improvements for developing the property for State Forest purposes.

Very truly yours,

/s/ F. W. Besley
State Forester.

Upon motion duly seconded, the request of the State Forester was granted.

The following letter from Mr. E. Lee LeCompte, State Came Warden, was read and considered:-

## CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT CAME DIVISION

April 24, 1934.

Covernor Albert C. Ritchie, Chairman, Board of Public Works, Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Governor Ritchie: -

The Came Division of the Conservation Department of Maryland, owns a large area of land located along the Washington-Allegany County boundary. In having a re-survey made of this property we find that there is an orchard company holding property adjoining ours, about twenty acres running in a wedge shape into the State land. When we purchased the property, the orchard company did not desire to sell this small strip.

However, Mr. E. R. McCullough, Superintendent of the Washington County Came Refuge, informs us that Mr. C. L. Robinson of Winchester, Virginia, President of this Company, has agreed to sell this twenty-acre strip for \$50.00, which, of course, is very cheap indeed and will be a great benefit to the State land in straightening out boundary lines.

We would appreciate your approval authorizing us to purchase this twenty-acre piece of land at this time.

Yours very sincerely,

/s/ E. Lee LeCompte.

State Game Warden.

Upon motion duly seconded the request of the State Came Warden was approved.

The following letter from Spring Grove State Hospital was read and considered:

SPRING CROVE STATE HOSPITAL

April 25, 1934.

Mr. J. O. McCusker, Secretary, Board of Public Works, Annapolis, Maryland.

My dear Mr. McCusker:-

During the past winter the Hospital has burned considerably more coal than was necessary and out of proportion to other institutions of similar size. A conference was held and it was finally agreed that certain changes and improvements were necessary to cut down our consumption of fuel.

Mr. James Posey, an expert consulting engineer, who understands the plant thoroughly, recommends that the following additions and changes be made:

- 1. That we install regulating valves in the steam lines of blowers in the boiler house, thereby using less steam in the turbines and saving in the consumption of coal. This was originally specified to be used in the power plant but was afterwards discarded on account of lack of funds. The approximate cost will be \$1,175.00.
- That a pressure reducing valve be put in on the main line in the power house to be used at night to reduce the pressure from 110 pounds to 20 pounds, at a cost of \$400.00,
- 3. The Main Building and Foster Building are heated by fans, taking cold air from the outside, sometimes at a temperature of zero or below, over heated coils, warmed, and fanned through ducts into the wards. This is an ideal system in theory, but a most expensive one practically.

It is estimated that the consumption of steam by this method is over five times greater than by direct radiation. It is, therefore, recommended that metallic doors be placed over the cold air inlets, so they can be closed when the outside temperature is very low and recirculate the air in the buildings that is already warm, using some outside air to mix for proper ventilation. This can be remedied for about \$450.00.

There are throughout the Main Building and Foster, leaks in the steam lines and traps that are out of order, thereby causing waste of steam. This could be repaired for \$275.00.

Mr. Posey's fee will be 5%, or \$115.00.

It is therefore estimated that the entire cost will amount to \$2,415.00 for the expenditure of which the Hospital will save considerable money each year, probably enough in a year or so to equal the cost of the amount spent. This entire matter was taken up by the Board of Managers, and meets with their approval, who have asked me to consult you concerning it.

Mr. Walter Kirkman attended the conference and thinks that the plant is using too much coal and that a saving might be made by making some changes.

We have left over from our appropriation for the power plant, \$2,600.00, and we are asking your permission to use this money for the purpose of making these repairs and changes, and we believe the State will save considerable by so doing.

I am enclosing Mr. Posey's letter.

Yours very truly,

/s/ Robert E. Carrett.

Superintendent.

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Upon motion duly seconded, the Board authorized the changes and improvements outlined in the foregoing letter.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Secretary.